

**CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT)**  
**External Affairs Committee Meeting**  
**Tuesday, May 18, 2004**  
**Stephen P. Clark Center**  
**111 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Street**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**10 AM**

**Summary Of Minutes**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Hon. Luis Morse, Chairman  
Hon. John Cosgrove

Hon. James Reeder

**COUNTY ATTORNEY:**

Bruce Libhaber

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Hilda Fernandez, Executive Director, OCITT  
Nestor Toledo, OCITT  
Daniel Holder, ADA  
Clinton Forbes, MDT  
Patrice Rosemond, OCITT  
Patty David, OCITT

Virginia C. Diaz, OCITT  
John Labriola, OCITT  
Lyn Harris, MDT  
Barbara Bravo, OCITT  
David Tinder, OCITT

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Luis Morse called the meeting to order at 10:23 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. James Reeder moved approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cosgrove and carried without dissent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APRIL 20, 2004**

Mr. Cosgrove moved approval of the April 20, 2004 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent.

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Federal Legislative Update*

Ms. Hilda Fernandez, Executive Director, OCITT, discussed the letters and resolution sent to the Dade Delegation on behalf of the CITT Chairman, John Cosgrove, in support of Miami-Dade County's position to allow for the evaluation of the East-West Corridor. (Copies of the letters were distributed.)

Mr. Morse asked the County Attorney, Bruce Libhaber, to research the eligibility of commuter rail projects as an eligible expense, given that the ballot language references only rapid transit projects. His concern is that commuter rail is not defined as a rapid transit project, thus making commuter rail project non-eligible for surtax funds.

Lyn Harris, Special Assistant, MDT Government Affairs Policy Department, provided the members with an overview of Miami-Dade Transit state legislative issues. (A copy of the "MDT 2004 State Legislative Summary" was distributed.)

#### *Municipal Update*

Ms. Fernandez announced that the CITT will be holding its third "Municipal Workshop" on Friday, May 21, 2004 at the Town of Medley Commission Chambers. In addition, Ms. Fernandez stated that payment is being withheld from two municipalities, Golden Beach and the Town of Medley, until they submit their transportation plans. Also, Ms. Diaz reported that the City of Indian Creek will be receiving a letter confirming a verbal agreement that their 20% of the transit share will be applied by the County to apply this portion to enhance traffic mobility with the City and immediate adjacent areas.

Mr. Morse requested that staff advise the BCC as well as all the elected officials within those municipalities that they risk losing surtax funds due to non-compliance or non-expenditure of their transit funds. Mr. Morse also asked staff to provide all CITT members with a copy of the transportation plans within their respective municipalities.

#### *MDT Customer Satisfaction Program*

Ms. Ivonne Andres, MDT distributed the "Customer Satisfaction Survey Card" that will be placed in Metrobuses and at Metrorail stations. Members suggested additional changes to the comment card.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### *Nesbitt Case*

Mr. Bill Candela, Assistant County Attorney, provided the members with detailed information pertaining to the Nesbitt case and with Miami-Dade County. The settlement requires Miami-Dade County to make bus stops ADA accessible within a certain time frame. (A copy of the settlement agreement was distributed.)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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Hon. Luis Morse, Chairman

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